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Reply Brief Noted

1. The reply brief filed April 7, 2005 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

Information Disclosure Statement

2. The information disclosure statements (IDSs) submitted on April 7, 2005 and June 13, 2005 were filed after the mailing date of the Examiner's Answer on January 7, 2005. The submissions are in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statements are being considered by the examiner.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Exr. James W. Myhre whose telephone number is (571) 272-6722. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Thursday from 5:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

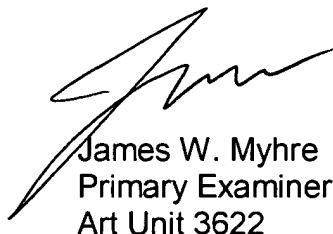
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